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Stamp Thief Captured Through Publicity in Linn's Weekly

Advertising does pay—at least P. M. Weiss of the Queen City Stamp Company of Cincinnati thinks so and the advertisement that brought such big returns to Mr. Weiss did not cost him a penny.

In the December 21st issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp News on page 127 there appeared a notice offering \$20.00 reward for information leading to the recovery of a stock book full of stamps stolen from the office of the Queen City Stamp Company within the past month. Mr. Weiss had sent this notice with instructions that it be published and the bill sent to him but a matter of this sort is news for our readers and we never charge for printing news.

Under date of February 27 a letter comes from the Queen City Stamp Company, advising of the recovery of the stolen stock book and while the information broadcast had referred to but a single stock book the insertion of the notice in Linn's Weekly brought back two stock books full of stamps to Mr. Weiss for it happened that when the thief was cornered he admitted the theft of two books rather than only one. Mr. Weiss had overlooked missing the other book.

The Queen City Stamp Company very graciously gives Linn's Weekly the full credit for the events which led up to the return of the stolen books.

Perhaps a brief review of the letter that has been received by Mr. Weiss along with the returned stamps will be of interest. Certainly the man who is responsible for the work that was done in recovering the stamps has done a wonderful bit of work for Philately. This man, Ernest T. Putnam of Middletown, Conn., is a very Philatelic Sherlock Holmes as will

be seen by the work he did in recovering the stolen stamps.

Eugene Wilson, a youth about 15 years of age who has the earmarks of being somewhat mentally lacking, moved to Middletown, Conn., early in January. Eugene claimed to have been employed by the Howard Dry Cleaners of Cincinnati, from which city he had moved to Middletown, Conn. He entered the local high school and soon afterward joined

for anything that was offered him.

Mr. Putnam first came in contact with the boy when he appeared at one of the stamp club meetings at the "Y", where the older collectors met. The boy had a small stock book with him with about five of each kind of stamp in the book. After trading a lot of stamps with the older members the boy made a deal with Mr. Putnam for a loose leaf album and some other supplies and stated that he had another stock book full of stamps at home, besides a box full of other traders.

The lack of knowledge of stamps shown by the boy created suspicion and after the meeting, when the younger collectors had left, the older heads held a conference and in checking up for the evening found that three small loose leaf approval books were missing. This together with the mystery of where a boy would get so much material of the class shown by this youth led Mr. Putnam to investigate the matter and in the meantime a Mr. Turner called Mr. Putnam on the phone and read to him the announcement as published in Linn's Weekly Stamp News for December 21st.

Mr. Putnam addressed a letter to the Queen City Stamp Company, sending along some of the stamps that had been traded to him by the youth. Mr. Weiss of the Queen City immediately telegraphed Mr. Putnam, identifying the stamps as his property. Mr. Putnam's next step was to notify all local collectors whom he knew had been trading stamps with the Wilson boy, to hold the stamps for return to the owner.

The same night Mr. Putnam held a conference with Police Captain Dunn and Probation Officer Pat Kidney. Mr. Putnam learned that the Wilson boy had come to Middletown from Cincin-

"THE SPECIALIST"



the Junior Stamp Club conducted by a Miss Nolan of the Russell Library. Eugene did not appear to have collection, at least none of the other boys ever saw one, but he had seeds of good traders and he readily traded stamp for stamp in the old fashioned way without regard to values. The material he had was above the average for the boy collector to possess and being material of this class Eugene was short all the mint Germans and such things and swapped even, stamp for stamp

nati, and that the Wilson boy had already got into trouble in Middle-town over another matter, and was out on probation at the time.

At the conference it was decided that it would be best to wait until the boy was in school so that he could be apprehended there and taken home before anyone should learn of the charges and possibly remove or destroy the property, from his home. About 8:30 the probation officer with the principal of the Middle-town High School brought the boy before Mr. Putnam, and he denied all charges. He was then taken to his home where a search was made. The stamps were discovered and he gave in and came across with three albums of stamps, some 30 approval lots, two stock books and several boxes full of stamps. Since no one except Mr. Putnam knew one stamp from another they were all turned over to him and he spent the entire day in trying to put the material back together again in the original lots from which it might have been removed.

Wilson admitted that he took two stock books from the counter of the Queen City Stamp Company at Cincinnati. With the assistance of the Wilson boy, Mr. Putnam spent the entire day in trying to put back into the stock books material that had been removed from them, at the same time putting into the stock books stamps that Wilson had received in trade for material from the books.

The youth then gave Mr. Putnam a list of the local collectors with whom he had traded stamps and Mr. Putnam spent the entire evening visiting these different collectors accompanied by the youth and attempted to trade back with them their own stamps for those that the boy had traded to them.

The boy was then taken back to the probation officers who are to have him examined both physically and mentally and it is believed that he will be placed in an institution.

Mr. Putnam states that the task of recovering the stamps took several days time, that he visited over twenty local collectors in the work. Some of these collectors had various of the stamps mounted in their albums but willingly removed them and turned them

back to Mr. Putnam in an effort to clean up the entire matter.

Although the task of checking up on the youthful stamp bandit was done entirely by Mr. Putnam he writes the Queen City Stamp Company that the reward that they offer rightfully belongs to Mr. Nelson Turner who had first noticed the report of the loss in Linn's Weekly Stamp News and had called his attention to it after the suspicions of the local collectors had been aroused.

Thus we have an example of what can be done in the way of recovering stolen stamps and also an example of the value of the Philatelic Press of the country for had it not been for the publication of the first details of the theft and had it not been that the story was given very wide circulation throughout the country, there would have been no possible chance of proving the theft of the stamps even though the reckless trading of valuable stamps for ordinary continentals would have created suspicion in the minds of any group of collectors.

MASSACHUSETTS STAMP TO BE ISSUED

Postmaster General Brown announced February 20th that the Massachusetts Colony Tercentenary stamp would be issued just as soon as a satisfactory design could be selected. The design submitted by the Massachusetts commission appointed by the Governor was not acceptable to the department. A conference was to be held Feb. 21st between the Massachusetts commission and the Postmaster General with a view of agreeing on a suitable design.

The Postoffice Department is prepared to have the stamp in circulation within thirty days after the design is approved. At this rate, we should expect the new stamp to make its appearance before April 1st. The stamp will be of the 2c value and since the principal celebration in the Tercentenary takes place on July 15 and will continue after that date it is apparent that the quantity issued will probably be a very large one.

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BRITISH EMPIRE

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Gibraltar.—For once we have previous warning of a philatelic change from the Rock! The 3d. stamp is on order with the inscription altered from "3 pence" to "three pence."

India.—Major O. R. Unger kindly sends us a cutting from which we learn that an addition is to be made to the recent Air stamps in the form of a 2 annas value, bi-coloured, blue and green. This is intended for use on matter carried by the Air service between Karachi and Delhi upon the extension of the route to this latter place.

Two Air stamp varieties have been discovered among our publishers' supplies. The more important was upon a sheet of the 12 a., in which the comb-perforating machine used had distinctly doubly perforated three sides of one of the horizontal rows of stamps.

The other was found in the 4 a. value; a small portion of our stock being in a distinct olive-green colour instead of the normal drab.

Iraq.—It is unofficially reported that Air stamps are to be issued here and that the design, or designs, will represent aeroplanes. The Air mail is very largely used in Iraq, so that an issue would be thoroughly justified.

Newfoundland.—Mr. A. B. Perlin informs us that 100 stamps of the recent provisional received the surcharge in black instead of red as a trial, but the latter colour was finally adopted owing to its greater legibility, 99,900 being surcharged in red.

Two sheets (of 25 stamps?) have been discovered with surcharge inverted, and as used specimens are also known it is assumed that at least three sheets must exist thus.

Our correspondent has been shown a block of 4 of the 2c. "Guy," imperf. vertically, and a 6 c. "Guy," lithographed (No. 100a), from the lefthand margin

of the sheet, imperf. at left side.

The same informant states that practically all post offices outside St. John's are now provided with rubber obliterating stamps which are used with black, blue, or violet ink, and collectors should not be misled into thinking that these are fiscal cancellations.

New Zealand.—We are kindly informed by Mr. J. Broadley that the New Zealand authorities decided last Christmas to issue a Christmas Seal, sold at 2d., of which a penny was devoted to the campaign against tuberculosis, the label being available as a penny postage stamp.

Although fully believing in Christmastide charity, we regret to see a member of the Australasian group reviving a custom which we hoped had died out with the unwieldy Victorian emissions of 1900.

Papua.—We read in The New Zealand Stamp Collector that the 3d. value has been overprinted "air mail" for use on the service recently established between Port Moresby and Samarai.

South Africa.—Future printings of the locally produced stamps of this country will be made on the new rotogravure machines which have been installed. A feature of these machines is that overprinting can be done at one operation with the printing of the stamps, so that it seems we are almost certainly to have more "Official" varieties!

Southern Rhodesia.—Various correspondents advise us that the 1d. stamp has now appeared, perf. 12½, from coil machines, but, at the time of writing, specimens are not yet to hand.

FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Abyssinia.—Brigadier-General R. Ridgway kindly draws our attention to the fact that a second handstamp was used, besides that illustrated in the December Supplement, for the purpose of overprinting the recent Air Commemoratives. This differs from the first in that it has a colon at the end of the bottom line of the overprint.

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Red Overprint

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Colon: $\frac{1}{8}$ m., $\frac{1}{4}$ m., 2 m., 8 m., 2 t., and 3 t.

We shall be glad to hear of any additions to the above list.

Our correspondent also tells us that he believes there were two printings of these stamps, one of 1500 and the other of 1000 sets.

Afghanistan.—Thanks to the courtesy of Mr. F. H. Zahid we are kept abreast with Afghan affairs. We now learn that the stamps of the unfortunate Habibullah, which were forecast in these columns, were all destroyed by the followers of Nadir Khan when the citadel in Kabul fell on October 13-14 last.

As supplies of the previous issues were running low, correspondence to India arrived about the end of October unstamp'd, postage being paid at the Indian end.

However, this shortage should now be at an end as the new king, Nadir Khan, has had a fresh issue printed in the same designs as the 1927-28 types, but with colours changed and the addition of three high values, viz. 5, 10, and 25 Afghani.

Austria.—The recently issued 16 gr. pictorial has had a very short life, due to a change in the postal rates, for it was withdrawn on the 31st December, a 20 gr. value in the same design replacing it.

Belgian Congo.—The new Charanda-Urundi were put on sale on the 16th of last month, and will be available for postage until the end of the year.

Chili.—The new 10c on watermarked paper, No. 202a, differs from that on unwatermarked, No. 202, in that the design has been redrawn, particularly the head, which is now larger than before. Also the new arrival appears to be lithographed, whereas No. 202 was typographed.

Dominican Republic.—Our publishers show us specimens of the 2c stamp of 1929, S. G. No. 392, with a second imprint at the bottom in the middle, reading "Lito Ferrua, S. D." This, we understand, occurred once in each of the first 600 sheets.

Ecuador.—Three centenaries will be philatelically celebrated this

year: Independence, with 14 stamps, and the deaths of Bolivar and Sucre, with 5 denominations for each.

Guatemala.—Mr. W. G. Walker states that the latest Air Stamp provisional, listed in December, was only printed to the tune of 25,000, and was sold out on the day of issue.

Hayti.—The quantities of the two Air stamps are as follows, viz.: 50c. 100,000 1g. 50,000

Lithuania.—A series of postage stamps in commemoration of one of the early Lithuanian kings, Vytautas, is due for issue some time next month in the following fourteen values, viz. 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 30, 36, 50, and 60c.; 1, 3, 5, 10, and 25 lit.

Mexico.—This country having gone Air stamp mad, a number of stamps have been issued, some in disgracefully small quantities.

Firstly, proofs in black of the 1926 Postal Congress set have been surcharged in red in three lines, "HABILITADO. Servicio Oficial Aereo." Only 600 of the low values and 78 of the high exist.

Then, because the perforating machines are busily occupied in turning out fiscal stamps for the new year; several values of the current Air stamps have been rouletted.

Thirdly, the 10-16th December was Air Mail week, a reason for the issue of a further two stamps, one of 20c. of which the enormous quantity (for Mexico) of 100,000 was printed, and a 40c. of which the normal Mexican speculative quantity was manufactured, viz. 3000!

From what our correspondent, Mr. R. Rubsamen, tells us we should imagine that almost another "Port Fuad" debacle occurred. Police were necessary to maintain order at the office at which the stamps were sold, two per person on the 10th December, and singly on the 11th. By 10 o'clock on the second day the supply was exhausted and the 40c was fetching many times its face value.

Paraguay.—Mr. Norman Stocks kindly informs us that the following Air stamps are in preparation, viz.:-

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We are sincerely hoping that this legion will come one by one so that we may cope with it: a mass attack would be fatal, we cannot afford to lose our New Issue Editor!

Strangely enough, the above do not include the two values, \$34 and \$100, forecast in November. Surely these two have not been forgotten!

Portuguese Colonies.—Azores. We give below the quantities of the recent provisionals, viz.:—

4/60 c.	266,400
10/25 c.	200,000
15/25 c.	200,000
20/25 c.	200,000
40 c./1 E. 10	119,600

Saar.—Here are the numbers printed of this year's Charity series, viz.:—

40 c., and 50 c., 200,000; 1 f. 50, and 2 fr., 70,000; 1 fr., 100,000; 3 fr., 60,000 and 10 fr., 40,000.

The high value was over subscribed and became immediately obsolete, orders being only partly filled.

Sweden.—Mr. Uno Soderberg obliges us with the approximate quantities sold of the 1920 Swedish Air stamps:—

10 o. 420,000, 20 o. 450,000, 50 o. 270,000.

These stamps, he tells us, have been obsolete since February 1922, as it was found that they were being forged.

—Gibbons' Stamp Monthly

NICKLES BUSINESS GOES ON

The following announcement regarding the business of the late C. E. Nickles of Washington, D. C., is at hand and is published for the information of the friends and customers of Mr. Nickles.

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STAMP GOSSIP
FROM THE FIFTH CITY

By Charles E. Horn

E. P. Anthony who is secretary of the Precancel Club gave the members of the C. A. M. S. at the mid-month meeting a brief outline of what the Cleveland boys are expecting to do for the coming Precancel Convention to be held in Cleveland this summer.

Cleveland Air Mail Society is nearing the one hundred mark in membership, only four more members until this goal is reached.

Final arrangements are made for the fortieth anniversary banquet of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, which is to be held at Hotel Winton, on March 15th.

Attorney Greene of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club showed the members his collection of miscellaneous covers which were from states, cities, patriotic, old cut and civil war. This meeting was on Feb. 21st.

Looks a little like Cleveland will be honored with the first American Air Mail Society Convention to be held here during the Balloon Races.

The first Get-together Meeting of the four Cleveland Clubs was a success in spite of the inclement weather.

Exhibits for the Get-together party were furnished by J. T. Schweier, who furnished autographs and air express covers; E. P. Anthony, precancels; Miss Frances Norton, Irish Free State stamps complete; F. W. Grant, air mail stamps; Paul Hudson, Graf Zep and foreign air mail covers; Charles E. Horn, Harding Memorial Frame, with the signatures of both Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Harding.

Vice President MacAdams and Secretary Venisky of the Cleveland Stamp Club were the genial hosts of the lady members and guests during the serving of refreshments at the Get-together party.

A new hobby has sprung up among the boys at the Cleveland Air Mail Society, upon learning that the secretary had another hobby besides airmails, and looks as if there will be a lot of swapping of duplicates. This hobby is collecting match box covers. (A new hobby for someone to publish a catalogue for.)

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—Submitted Feb. 20, 1930.

A total of 16 new varieties to list this time—which is a good showing for our department in view of the small number of new issue orders. Now that most of the big cities have their full set of the new small types, the actual number of new varieties appearing is really very small—probably not over 20 per month—although the Bureau presses keep exceedingly busy reprinting orders for the larger cities. With this very slow increase in the number of new Buroprint varieties, any active and enthusiastic collector will have little trouble in keeping up—in fact, he will find it nothing but pure fun. And in view of the small number of new varieties, how can anyone declare that soon there will be so many Buroprint varieties that it will be impossible to cover the field? The facts prove the opposite to be true. There is not the slightest danger of the Buroprint field becoming as large and cumbersome as the general precancel field. Only about 1750 varieties have been issued in the eight years of Buroprint history (1923-30), and at this rate they would not be as plentiful in 80 years as general precancels now are. In fact, the Buroprint fan has many a lively year to wait before his field is as large as that of the U. S. specialist who takes in every U. S. variety listed in the general catalog.

For the very fine listing this time thanks are due to quite a host of readers: Lee R. Clore, Tex.; Chas. F. Becker, Dr. W. L. Mitchell, and Harry J. Morse, Calif.; Rev. C. L. Young, Nebr.; E. A. Soden, La.; L. A. Pike, Ind.; Wm. H. LaPrade, Jr., Ga.; and H. E. Simmerer, Mass. Let us hear from all of you again—and from many others!

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS

FAVORS CITY LISTING. Mr. Louis A. Pike, Ind., writes, "What do I think of the new B. P. catalog? If you want my opinion of it, I think it is a first class frost in returning to the old form of listing, by states, which I think was a sad mistake."

NEWS NOTES FROM THRESHER. Two interesting news notes by E. S. Thresher in his ever-popular column, "Buro-prattles" in Gloeb's Precancel Bee:

"The fact reported last month that the precancel plate has been made for Butte, Montana, ordinaries when no buros had been ordered, has a counterpart in Buro history. It seems that several years ago we were told that Jamestown, N. Y., had ordered coils, as I remember it, the 1½c values, which order was later cancelled. The facts of the matter are, I am told, that the precanceling plates were made without any orders for precanceled stamps. The explanation probably lies in a mistake by the booking clerk at the Bureau. Wonder if the Beverly Hills, Calif., coils were in the same class? If Jamestown (now out with the new type ordinary 1c) would order coils, they MIGHT appear with the old type."

Mr. Thresher also quotes Mr. E. J. Newcomer as saying, "Old type Seattle 1c coil seems to be much scarcer than Mitchell's prices would indicate." In fact, your editor believes this is a real rare bird that will bear watching.

"INDIAPOLIS" FREAK

Mr. Harry J. Morse writes in excitedly, enthusiastically about a second great discovery of the age—a second major B-11 error—and we were really sorry we had to burst the balloon for him. The stamp was new small type Indianapolis with the second "N" looking very much like an "H"; also a copy of the 4c showing the same. But we are familiar with this freak—and know it to be caused by poor inking on the press. Mr. Morse later wrote that Dr. Mitchell had confirmed my opinion of these items.

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**WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE
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There has been considerable in the philatelic press, especially that particularly devoted to precancels, the past few months, about "What is wrong with precancels?" and the subject has been argued lengthily back and forth, pro and con. But the editor of your Bureau-print Department is one who sincerely believes that it is quite possible to write, even more lengthily, about what is RIGHT with precancels—and as far as Bureauprints are concerned, he believes that like the purity of a certain soap, things are about 99 and 44/100 RIGHT. However, we have recently received a thoughtful letter from one of our readers about what is WRONG with the precancel game, and because of its clarity, frankness and sincerity, we give part of it here:

"What is wrong with the Pre-cancel Game? It just needs more sportsmanship. The trouble with the precancel fraternity, (not so fraternal at times) is that 7 out of 10 are pure speculators—and about 90% of these are without the gambler's and stock-speculator's sportsmanship. I would say that not over 25% of the bureau collectors today (and this would perhaps apply to the whole stamp field) are collecting purely for the hobby side of precancels, without regard to values and just for the love of getting these issues complete. I know a few who really are—but darned few. Yet this is what hobby means. Precancel collecting can hardly be called a science; it has none of the elements of a science. So most of the collectors are just keenly interested in the business side of the game, speculating in these things, buying only because they look for quick, phenomenal profits. But when it comes to taking a loss they howl. There is no difference between the stamp speculator and the stock-market speculator. Yet the stock trader invests hundreds of thousands of dollars on a hunch, hoping to make big money, but knowing he might lose all—and he is generally game when he loses all. But the precancel collector puts 10c or 25c or 50c or so in a bureau coil stamp (which might have been justly priced at the time of sale) and hopes it goes to a dollar or to \$5.00, which great profit he would accept without comment or thanks to anyone. But if some enterprising fellow gets an inside chance at that item, and loads up on it, and spreads them over the market, so that the price drops to 5c or 10c (where it then belongs) then the speculator howls. Willing to take

the speculator's profit, but not his loss—gracefully."

This editor—and every other rational person in the game will have to admit that there's a lot of truth and commonsense in this.

REMBRANDT STAMP

The Netherlands has just issued a set of three stamps in memory of the great Dutch Painter Rembrandt. The full name being Rembrandt Harmens van Rijn. The stamps are in three values, 5c green, 6c brown and 12½c blue. They are of oblong format and the design in each instance is the same. In the upper left corner are double lined figures of value and in the right corner "Ct", across the top "NEDERLAND" in capital letters. Across the bottom of the stamp "VEREENIGING REMBRANDT" in small capitals. The wording at both top and bottom is outside the main part of the design of the stamp. The central part of the stamp bears the copy of one of the most famous of Rembrandt's paintings, known as "The Syndics of the Drapers" the original of which is in the Rijks Museum at Amsterdam. The head and shoulders of Rembrandt is placed at the center of the lower part of the picture, over the picture.

This is truly a very worthy subject for a special issue of postage stamps and sets an example that would be a very fine one for other Governments to follow. Commemorating at the same time a great figure as well as a work of art that is famous throughout the world.

For our part we must regret that the design has been worked out in the manner in which it is. It would have been far more beautiful had Rembrandt's picture been placed on one or two of the stamps, say the 5c and 12½c and the painting given full view on the brown 6c stamps. A masterpiece such as this would have beautified any stamp collection but the picture is ruined by the method in which it is shown.

Those who are interested in a better view of this famous picture are referred to a box of "Dutch Masters" cigars, the inner side of the lid presents the picture in an attractive manner.

Rembrandt was born at Leyden, Holland, July 15, 1606, although this date is disputed by other authorities. He died in Amsterdam, poor and forgotten and was buried in the Westerkerke, on October 8, 1669.

Rembrandt's life as detailed in the International Encyclopaedia is a very interesting story and one well worthy of reading.

PHILADELPHIA NEWS

Reverend C. C. Sylvester, secretary of the Philadelphia Chapter of the A. P. S., resigned as secretary of the club due to his removal from the district about Philadelphia. B. J. Dattner was elected in his stead.

The Philadelphia Chapter of the A. P. S. went on record favoring the use of proxies by all members of the A. P. S. who could not attend the conventions. It is also proposed that the number of proxies held by any one person be unlimited and that officers be permitted to hold proxies.

Dr. C. W. Hennan of Chicago and Dutch Colonial fame will be a guest at the March meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

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We have appreciated all these tokens of the esteem in which our readers hold this publication and feel certain that we shall not suffer a loss of support due to this change, for so soon as the fea-

tures which have been planned for the coming months, make their appearance we feel that we shall begin to gather support from those who have never been on our list.

Our announcement of a Life Subscription plan has been approved by our good friend, Major Ralph A. Kimble of Chicago, who has achieved the honor of being the first Life Subscriber to Linn's Weekly Stamp News and we believe we are safe in saying the first Life Subscriber to any stamp publication in the world. A circular, explaining our Life Subscription plan will be supplied on request. For only ten dollars you can receive this publication for the remainder of your life. Truly an offer that should appeal to any stamp collector who can afford it.

NEW ISSUE REVIEW Do not overlook the announcement

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G. P. S. C. Next week, all of SPECIAL the feature articles of this paper will be the work of various members of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland. The publishers have turned over the entire paper to the club as a compliment to this organization in honor of their fortieth anniversary. We can not tell you what will be offered to you in the way of special material but can assure you that the articles for publication which are now on hand will be of much interest.

M. J. Lloyd, president of the Club, advises us that none other than W. W. MacLaren of "Stamp Hunter" fame will write the editorials for this special number. Mac is an ex-newspaper man and should be well qualified for this task.

We should have liked to have had the Club prepare all of the smaller news notes and items that will have to be used for fillers in the next number but this seemed impractical so that this material will come from the usual source.

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A. W. JENISTA OF THE Hawkeye Stamp Company of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has again entered our advertising columns and promises regular use of space. His copy will appear on the second page each week and he usually has some very interesting offers for collectors of United States stamps in which his company specializes. Mr. Jenista says that March 10th is the tenth anniversary for their company and that they are going to signalize the occasion by a more intensive advertising campaign of direct mailing and a heavier patronage of the Philatelic Press with less attention to the juvenile papers.

WE LIKE THE SENTIMENT IN the above announcement for stamp dealers must come to realize that it is the Philatelic Press of the country that makes and creates business for them and that they are thus deserving of support. There is ample room in this country for several good philatelic publications for with an estimated 100,000 collectors, no one publication reaches more than 8 to 10% of them.

LARGE NATIONAL ADVERTISERS make an annual appropriation of a certain percentage of their annual receipts for advertising and spend this money regardless of other matters. They recognize and know that it is advertising that makes their business and when business is good they keep on advertising so that it will stay good. Such a plan as this could well be adopted by the stamp dealer. A definite plan for the year, worked out in advance and followed religiously.

BOB DAVIS WHO WRITES A feature column in the Buffalo Evening News under date of February 25th tells of some of his experiences with collectors of various things. Bob classes as one of the worst species of collectors the "Numismatic Bug" who "thinks nothing of going through your private correspondence in the hope of capturing a stamp that will fill out some particular issue."

IN FURTHER SUPPORT OF George Washington, Richard Savidge of Indianapolis sends a clipping of a prayer that was written by Washington and which was used in a sermon on the Sunday following Washington's birthday by an Indiana minister. Mr. Savidge says he would not be surprised if the prayer was the same one that

Washington must have uttered as depicted on the Valley Forge Stamps which have caused Rupert Hughes such pain and sorrow since their issue.

A COPY OF THE NEW 10 CENTAVOS airmail stamp of the Dominican Republic is at hand on a cover showing first day of issue, January 25, from our good friend, George S. Chapman of San Juan. Mr. Chapman very thoughtfully used one of the handsome Linprint Airmail envelopes which makes the cover of long life or everlasting.

AGAIN WE REPRINT FROM Gibbons' Stamp Monthly, the Stamp News in brief as published monthly in this excellent English publication. We have had several comments on our publication of this material and feel sure that collectors have appreciated it. We shall not need use this material in the future as our own weekly review of New Issues as well as old ones which will be handled every week by Mr. Eugene N. Costales will keep Linn's Weekly well ahead of most other publications in supplying information on new and prospective issues. This feature will be illustrated with excellent pictures of the new issues also.

FRED FARNHAM HAS MOVED his wagon load of stamps to Detroit and has opened up an office for the purchase and sale of fine stamps in the New David Stott Building. Fred has signed up with Linn's Weekly for a hundred inches of space and his announcements will be found in our advertising columns frequently, beginning with the next issue of the paper.

A LETTER OVER THE NYRBA airmail lines mailed at Buenos Aires on the 19th of February and delivered to the editor on March 1st is at hand from Mr. A. H. Davis who has been so helpful in supplying our Airmail editor with news from South America. The editor extends his thanks and appreciation to Mr. Davis for his thoughtfulness in sending this cover which made the long trip in 10 days. It is also noted that the postage is a mere 25 centavos against a cost of 75 cents for letters from this country to Argentine.

CHAPTER 18 OF THE A. P. S. in Philadelphia is determined that there shall be more action and representation at future A. P. S. Conventions. A resolution was adopted at their last meeting that the Philadelphia Chapter go on record that proxies should be used by all members at the conventions and they propose, in order to make their use

more general that there be no limit on the number that any one member may vote and that the officers be permitted to hold proxies. Doubtless the object of this move is to put more life and pep into convention proceedings which in the end should benefit the society. Hand picked officers without any competition may be a nice plan to honor various of the members but it will never put life and pep into a stamp club. If members are to take an interest in the affairs of the society they must have the opportunity to take interest and a rousing election will do more than any other thing to revive that interest.

THE EDITOR OF THIS WEEKLY paper is one of the Regional Vice Presidents of the Society of Philatelic Americans and as such wants to recommend this society to all stamp collectors as one worthy of their interest and support. The man who does not lend his support to some National Stamp Society is neglectful of his duties to Philately. Good work is being done by these organizations and far more could be done if stamp collectors would get into them as they should and pay their annual mite toward keeping up the work. I have a heap of application blanks and circulars explaining the benefit of the S. P. A. and I shall consider it a favor if you will let me mail one to your address.

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This department belongs to our readers and we ask you to send all information received to the Editor as soon as possible and same will be acknowledged.

South American Notes

The Nyrba Line carried mails to Rio and intermediates for the first time on Jan. 15th, and return flight with the mails was begun on the 17th.

Another avion of the Latecoere Co. with the S. American airmails disappeared in a storm in the vicinity of Casa Blanca on Jan. 25th and it is feared that it has fallen into the sea as no trace of the aviators or the machine can be found.

An experimental flight was made by an Aeroposta machine from Rio Gallegos and intermediates to Buenos Aires on Jan. 19th and they hope to establish service on this extension beyond Comodoro Rivadavia, within the next two months.

In order to encourage National authors of books, the Argentine Postal Administration is arranging for the sale of their works over the counter at the G. P. O. at a discount of 20% off the published prices.

The Compagnie Generale Aeropostale is expected to open a line from Natal to Paramaribo, in Dutch Guiana, via Cayenne, within the next sixty days.

—A. H. Davis.

Graf Zeppelin Flights

The Graf is being overhauled at Friedrichshafen in preparation for her Spring and Summer program. Reports state she will go on a Mediterranean cruise in March; In April make ten-hour trips to the Alps and Austria and in May make her journey to South America and Lakehurst. In July and August she will make three-day excursions to North Cape, Spitzbergen. Experience as well as reports from postal authorities show that we cannot depend upon or send covers to the postmaster at Friedrichshafen, to be sent on these flights, so that we must make some other arrangements. Too bad we do not have some German member in some of the Societies who would volunteer to look after such covers for American collectors. If anyone knows of such a kind hearted Dutcher please broadcast the information, as there are hundreds of good American dollars waiting to make the trip.

New England Air Tour

Letter from James L. Hanchett, 44 Buckingham St., Springfield, Mass., advises that the New England Air Tour will leave Springfield, Mass., about May 24th, and last four or five days, starting from Springfield Airport and landing at Bowles Airport in Agawam, Mass., which airport will be dedicated upon their arrival, probably on May 30th. A special cachet will be applied to all air mail on May 30, 31, and June 1st, mailed from Agawam, Mass., and probably also on mail from Springfield, on May 24th. Send your covers to Mr. Hanchett at above address, ready to go, and please fully prepay postage on them with any commemorative stamps you have. List of cities to be visited not yet at hand.

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Europa

The First Return trip of the Steamer Europa, is scheduled to leave New York, on March 29th, 1930. Catapult service not definitely assured, however, you may send covers to the Postmaster at New York, N. Y., marking them plainly to go by this steamer and the postage will likely be twenty cents.

St. Petersburg Mail

Superintendent of Mails advises that the following quantities of air mail was dispatched during their Anniversary Week: Jan. 13th, 1999; 14th, 1955; 15th, 1548; 16th, 1785; 17th, 2177, and 18th, 2391.

Fort Madison, Iowa

J. H. Madison says that this city will dedicate its airport in the near future.

Ajo, Arizona

Dedication has been postponed to April 15th so you still have time to send covers.

ZRS-4

Do you know what this stands for? Z is a letter used by the Navy to indicate lighter than air craft; R is for rigid, and S is for scout. Hence ZRS-4 means that it is the 4th rigid airship scout.

When the Graf Broke Down

Frank Nickolson, a passenger on the Graf flight when the engines broke down, has a very interesting account of the adventures on this trip, in Collier's Magazine for March 8th. Look this up and read it and you will value your cover from this flight much more highly.

Coachella Valley Airport

The Coachella Valley Airport was dedicated on Feb. 22, 1930, and the cachet in purple indicates that towns of Indio-Coachella-Thermal-Mecca, Cal., are all interested in this airport. The covers were mailed at Indian Wells, California, and some of the postmarks say 1930 and some give the year as 1929, which of course is an error.

NYRBA Covers

Covers received today (March 1st) from Buenos Aires, Argentina, Rio Janeiro, Brazil, and Georgetown, British Guiana, via Nyrba Air Lines. Covers from Buenos Aires postmarked Feb. 19th and bear a square cachet showing a public building with a plane soaring above it and the words "Argentina-Estados Unidos, Primer Correo Aero de la Nyrba," in magenta and in green VIA NYRBA, Correspondencia Aerea. From Rio Janerio, postmarked the same day and cachet in red reading First Brazilian-U. S. A.

Air Mail in English and also in Spanish. Covers from Georgetown, British Guiana, are postmarked Feb. 21st and have no special cachet, but air mail cancellation. Ten days for this carrying of letters from these cities is much faster than mail heretofore.

Berlin-Istanbul-Angora

Deutsche Luft Hansa has obtained a concession for operation of a mail and freight line from Berlin to Angora, touching at Belgrade, Yugoslavia, and Sofia, Bulgaria. Shipments will leave Berlin on night express train to Gleiwitz, then at 5:00 a. m. by plane to Belgrade-Sofia-Istanbul (Constantinople) arriving at 6:00 p. m. This line will be opened on May 1st, 1930, according to Trade Commissioner A. Douglas Cook, but during the first five months of operation, may only extend to Istanbul; and after that time to Angora.

Flying the Longest Route

The National Geographic Magazine for March contains a very interesting article entitled Flying the World's Longest Air Mail Route by J. B. Ward, author of "Seeing America from the Shenandoah."

Air Maneuvers

Assistant Secretary of War Davis says that 130 planes will take part in the Air Maneuvers to be held at Sacramento and Los Angeles from April 1st to 24th. These ought to bring forth some cachets.

Prague to Basel

Direct airplane service between Prague, Czechoslovakia, and Basel, Switzerland, will begin on June 1st, 1930, according to Sam Woods, Trade Commissioner at Prague. There were eight other lines operating to Basel during 1929.

Montreal Exhibition

Montreal Aircraft Exhibition under the auspices of the Mon-

treal Light Airplane Club, will be held from April 19th to 26th at the "Stadium." It is hoped the R-100 will visit Montreal during this show.

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Proposed issues will be reported as soon as definite information is available so that our readers will be right up to the minute in the doings of "Stampdom". Anything in the way of new discoveries in older issues will be announced and carefully described.

Embracing all these things we must look to our readers for co-operation and shall welcome any assistance that will help to make this Review all we hope to make it.

Any information of new issues or discoveries in old issues should be reported to EUGENE N. COSTALES, 87 Nassau St., New York City.

CHERRY RED AIRLINE, LTD.

Last summer the Cherry Red Airline, Ltd., of Prince Albert announced that they would carry mail to various points in northern Saskatchewan, having been granted this privilege by the Post Office Department. Flights were made to Montreal Lake, Lac LaRonge and Stanley, but not to Ile a La Crosse until the last part of December.

Covers from the Ile a La Crosse flight have just turned up. The flight was made on Christmas day, as covers from Prince Albert to Ile a La Crosse are cancelled at Prince Albert, 7 A. M., Dec. 25, 1929, and backstamped the same day at Ile a La Crosse. The return trip appears to have been considerably delayed, covers bearing the Ile a La Crosse mark dated Feb. 3, 1930, and the arrival mark at Prince Albert reads 5 P. M., Feb. 4th.

Covers to intermediate points were also carried, as appears from the statement of number of covers carried on the first flight, as supplied by the company.

Ile a La Crosse—	1048
Prince Albert—	
Ile a La Crosse—	280
Montreal Lake—	
Ile a La Crosse—	181
Lac La Ronge—	
Prince Albert—	
Ile a La Crosse—	749
Montreal Lake—	
Ile a La Crosse—	273

Lac La Ronge—	
Ile a La Crosse	225
Lac La Ronge—	
Montreal Lake	141

Last fall the company stated they would carry mail from Prince Albert to Saskatoon, and some covers were sent in by collectors. This flight was abandoned, and covers were mailed on the Ile a La Crosse flight instead.

G. W. Linke.

WASHINGTON CLUB ENTERTAINS NEW YORKERS

Nine members of the Collectors Club of New York attended the dinner given by the Washington Philatelic Society on February 14th. There were altogether fifty-five at the table.

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The Secretary reports 106 paid in members this date and asks that the Charter list be held open up to and including No. 150 to take care of the many whose blanks are in process of completing and who have expressed their desire to become charter members. This remarkable showing made in just two months time demonstrates that we are bound to become the leading Aero Philatelic Society of the U. S. and toward that goal your officers are working. The Secretary, the Chairman and a few of the members have been very active in the securing of new members. As we grow in size the individual efforts of members will become more noticeable and as a goal to work toward, we expect to pass the 200 mark before April 15.

Our membership list is not published in the official journal. The first of each month the Chairman assembles and places in each member's hands the names and addresses of all members entered and numbered the past month. This gets away from the usual monotony of a detailed report in the journal and assures you of being let alone by dealers and others who make a practice of flooding you with unsolicited matter which at times is rather a nuisance. Any member can always secure by asking, the names of his associate members up to the previous month's listing.

The list of Honorary Members on whose names you were asked to express your opinion, are listed as elected to Honorary Membership. Thus the following names will appear in our roster: Charles A. Lindbergh, Orville Wright, Hubert Wilkins, Richard Byrd, Clarence Chamberlain. In addition we shall carry on our record as of Honorary mention: Floyd Bennett, Ben Eielson. These two were selected because of their known friendliness and courtesy at all times to aero collectors. It is indeed gratifying to state that of the sixty votes cast that all were

very expressive in their approval except one member who for some reason or other did not understand what Honorary Membership stood for. In completing this portion of the report we desire to say that at this time Member No. 10, L. B. Lincoln, has assumed charge of the arranging of suitable silver engraved membership cards and of their presentation.

The very important office of Exchange Manager of the A. A. P. S. shall be handled by Member No. 90, Jack M. Williams, Lock Box No. 84, Danville, Ill. We are assured of a most capable handling of this department by Mr. Williams being Editor of the "Stamp Collector Department" of the Commercial-News, Danville, Ill., also very active as a collector of 25 years standing. Also active in the workings of the Mid-West Stamp Club. Your covers by going to Mr. Williams will be in good hands. He is in complete charge of this department with no strings attached. Get in touch with him if interested.

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We need a Manager for the New Issue Air Stamp Department. If you think you can handle it better than the other fellow just so advise the Chairman.

We have been asked about lapel buttons and rubber stamps for use of members of the A. A. P. S. The Officers have felt that this Society is one being built up by collectors to whom these playthings would not appeal. There may be a few junior members who would be interested but the adult mem-

bers who form about 95% of the membership have not asked for these supplies. Therefore we have provided letter heads for the use of members who have a desire to place their philatelic activities before their correspondents in a proper and business-like manner. The Chairman has this stationery on hand and will send it to members at cost of 60c per 100 sheets plus zone postage.

The Bob's Airmail Bulletin Service which is a listing of events and aero news for your use, also the Linn's Weekly Stamp News which is the Official Journal, go to you as a part of your AAPS membership. You cannot afford to be without either if you are a real collector of air mails.

The Superintendent of Information fills a very busy office. No letter remains unanswered and an effort is made to give the best attention to all questions asked. Letters are coming in at the rate of ten each day and possibly fifty percent are from non members. All are given attention. If you don't belong to the AAPS we know it and are after you because if you need our Department of Information you need the other benefits this Society affords.

Out of a membership of 106 we show only six who can be called juniors and these are properly vouched for. This means that what the AAPS offers appeals to adults or juniors with adult ideas. This means that collecting of air mails is on a solid foundation and that a membership in the American Aero Philatelic Society is a necessity. We have now arranged to admit Stamp and Aero Clubs to membership wherein a club can hold an individual membership. We feel that in this way we can strengthen the hobby and maintain a prestige for our Society which it deserves. At this time we are working on the applications of six strong and distinctive clubs for membership. If your local club is interested let us know.

The American Aero Philatelic Society is asking no favors of anyone. We are going ahead as the continuation of the first Aero Philatelic Society organized in 1923 and we are not filling our membership list with what is known as "dead wood." Every one of our members are active both as collectors, collector dealers and boosters for this, their Society. A membership with us returns dollars in value for dimes expended as expense. If you don't believe it just ask for sample copies of what we call proof.

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BEAUTIFUL STAMPS

One of the most popular sets issued in the last three years is the recent issue of Cyprus. It was issued to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of British rule. The stamps are not only larger than the regular issue but also exquisitely designed. The stamps not only depict the show places of the island but also many scenes of historic and legendary value. It ranges from the three-quarters piastre to one-pound and the coloring is such that the set is not only well-liked but beautiful.

GOETHALS AND GORGAS

The portraits of William C. Gorgas and George W. Goethals appear on the 1928 issue of Canal Zone. These two men, more than anyone else, are responsible for the building of the Panama Canal, a task which had baffled Ferdinand

de Lesseps, builder of the Suez Canal. Goethals fame has been spread throughout the world and his feat will be classified as one of the outstanding achievements of all times but as for Gorgas, he is not so widely lauded. Yet were it not for him and his efforts, America might have failed as France had. He went into the malaria-stricken area and by tireless work, rendered it a place fit for men to work in, thereby accomplishing a thing which had been thought impossible.

NEW CZECHO STAMPS

The latest issue of Czechoslovakia, 1929, type A29, represents the small coat of arms of the state, consisting of five squares with different designs, four in the background and one in the center. The central design shows the fork-tailed, upright lion of Bohemia; the left upper square, the patriarch cross, on a mountain top (Slovakia); the right upper square, the divided shield of Russo-Carpathia, with the standing bear; the left lower field, the checkered eagle of Moravia; and the lower right square, the eagle of Silesia. The large coat of arms of the state includes the coat of arms of Teschen, Ratibor, and Troppian, cities which came to the state as a result of the plebiscite of Eastern Silesia (1920) between Poland and Czechoslovakia.

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The medals will be known as the Severn Medals. The medals will be provided from the interest on the fund each year.

DEATH OF EUGENE LUTZEI

Detroit has lost another well known and popular collector by the death of Eugene Lutzeier who died February 17th at the age of 52 years. He was a member of the A. P. S., Michigan Stamp Club and Wayne Stamp Society.

Mr. Lutzeier was born in Ulm, Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1878. He came to America in 1903 and has made this country his home. After arriving in New York he went to Dayton, Ohio, later to Cleveland and finally to Detroit. He was married in Dayton in February, 1904, his wife's parents being residents of Dayton.

He located in Detroit in 1916 and has since resided there.

INDIANA STAMP CLUB ELECTS

The Indiana Stamp Club has elected new officers for 1930. L. O. Ward is president; G. M. Pagett, vice president; Marion F. Clarke, secretary-treasurer, and LeGrand Payne, A. P. Vestal and J. L. Williams form the executive committee. A new program committee is working on an extensive educational program for the year.

ICELAND'S NEW ISSUE

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